



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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January 31, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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# ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

22 January 31, 2012

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**SALAI STREET FROM SANDALWOOD AVENUE TO HAMBLEDON AVENUE AND WINTON  
AVENUE FROM SALAI STREET TO GEMINI STREET  
CHANGE IN FEDERAL HIGHWAY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION  
UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF VALINDA  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1)  
(3 VOTES)**

### **SUBJECT**

This action is to request the change in functional classification of Salais Street from Sandalwood Avenue to Hambledon Avenue and Winton Avenue from Salais Street to Gemini Street. The reclassification from a collector street to a local street is intended to enable the Department of Public Works to reduce the speed limit on Salais Street to 25 mph to be consistent with the residential nature of the street.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Adopt the resolution requesting the change in functional classification from collector to local streets for the following County roads: Salais Street from Sandalwood Avenue to Hambledon Avenue and Winton Avenue from Salais Street to Gemini Street, which are located in the unincorporated Valinda area of the County of Los Angeles.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to reclassify Salais Street from Sandalwood Avenue to Hambledon Avenue and Winton Avenue from Salais Street to Gemini Street from collector to local streets on the California Road System (CRS) map. Since Salais Street and Winton Avenue primarily

serve access to residences, these streets meet the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) guidelines for local streets more closely than collector streets.

As a result of this action, the posted speed limit on Salais Street between Azusa Avenue and Hambledon Avenue could be reduced from 30 mph to 25 mph. Winton Avenue is currently posted for 25 mph and would remain unchanged. This speed limit may be enforced electronically pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 40802.

As part of the application for change in the functional classification of these roads, the FHWA requires the governing board of the local agency to adopt a resolution requesting this change. The enclosed resolution has been prepared to comply with this requirement.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1); Children, Family and Adult Well-Being (Goal 2); and Public Safety (Goal 5). Reclassification of these streets will enhance the quality of life in the affected community.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Federal transportation programs permit the use of Federal funds on streets and roads provided that they are functionally classified as collectors or higher. As such, Federal funds will no longer be available for these locations; however, Road funds remain available. The change in the functional classification of these roads will have no impact on the County General Fund.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

As required by the State of California Department of Transportation, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority concurred with the requested change in the functional classification for Salais Street and Winton Avenue on April 16, 2011, and July 14, 2011, respectively.

The enclosed resolution has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The adoption of the enclosed resolution and the requested change in the functional reclassification of these County roads do not constitute a project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is an activity excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines. This proposed action is an administrative activity of government, which will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The change in the functional classification will not impact current services or projects.

### **CONCLUSION**

Upon approval by your Board, please return two adopted copies of this letter and the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Traffic and Lighting Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gail Farber".

GAIL FARBER  
Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Administrative Office (Rita Robinson)  
County Counsel (Warren Wellen)  
Executive Office

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
REQUESTING THE CHANGE IN FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF  
SALAIS STREET FROM  
SANDALWOOD AVENUE TO HAMBLEDON AVENUE AND  
WINTON AVENUE FROM  
GEMINI STREET TO SALAIS STREET  
AS LOCAL STREETS**

WHEREAS, Salais Street from Sandalwood Avenue to Hambledon Avenue and Winton Avenue from Gemini Street to Salais Street are currently classified as collectors under Federal Highway Administration guidelines and are within the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles has determined that these roads meet the Federal Highway Administration Guidelines for functional classification as a local street; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority has concurred with the change in the functional classification of these roads to a local street; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration, which administers Federal transportation funds, through the State of California Department of Transportation, requires that a resolution be adopted by the governing body of a local agency that requests a change in the functional classification in order to change the classification of a roadway;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles here by request the change in the functional classification from collectors to local streets for Salais Street from Sandalwood Avenue to Hambledon Avenue and for Winton Avenue from Gemini Street to Salais Street.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2012, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio of the governing body of all special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said board so acts.



SACHI A. HAMAI  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

By   
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ANDREA SHERIDAN ORDIN  
County Counsel

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Deputy